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Metro presents a fine program at the Olympic every Wednesday, featuring a popular actress.

BENEDICT TAKEN "OVER THE TOP" AND STARTED ON A MEMORABLE JOURNEY

Yesterday at the noon hour, the inhabitants and business people of the downtown section, were treated to a surprise.

Pedestrians on Donner avenue, observed what appeared to be a British tank approaching from the lower end of town. On closer observation this proved to be an automobile of a certain popular make on which had been constructed a cage.

Inside the cage and securely fastened thereto, was a young man, who by all indications was somewhat peeved, and appeared to be anything but pleased with this method of travel. It was then thought that the captive was one eof the payroll bandits who have been plying their trade in various parts of the country, but as the procession did not stop at the local guard house, but continued up the street to Johnson's Cafe, that theory was given up.

The cortege came to a halt in front of Johnson's Cafe, and when the proprietor and customers came out to investigate, discovered that the man in the cage was Floyd W. Grady, a well known young man who was recently married. It appears that Floyd endeavored to "gas" the other boys in the Page office, where he is employed, by means of a number of loaded cigars, and it was decided to retaliate by a tank attack. Floyd was taken "over the top" in a speedy if not graceful manner, and secured in the cage where he commenced his journey.

The procession proceeded to Seventh street and then returned to his residence in the Craig Apartments, where the captive was turned over to Mrs. Grady, who managed to soothe his ruffled feelings in time for him to return to work in the afternoon.

During the attack, Grady showed himself to be a courageous fighter who has evidently seen service in the trenches, or elsewhere, but as he was badly outnumbered and outmaneuvered, his artistic fist and footwork availed him nothing, and he was at last overcome and started on his memorable journey.

On account of the "H. C. O. L." and his extensive travels in southern lands it is presumed that Floyd's financial situation will not permit him to invest in genuine cigars at this time.

However, from the patriotic standpoint it is hoped by his friends that he will apply his small change on the purchase of Thrift Stamps and thus vanquish Kaiser Bill and the "H. C. O. L." at the same time.

GREENSBURG CLEANING UP GAMBLING POOL ROOMS

A clean up of the pool rooms of Greensburg has been decided upon. There is to be no action taken against the pool room proprietors who have been obeying the law and operating their places in a clean and legitimate manner. In fact, the clean up will serve to exonerate those who operate their places free from violations of the law.

It is against the gamblers that the fight will be waged. Through investigations conducted by members of the Parent Teachers Association of the city and by officers of the O. A. B C council of the Men's Bible classes of the city it has developed that four pool rooms of the city are operating slot machines and permitting pool to be played for money. From ten to fifteen dollars, it is said, have been lost by certain young men in a single night in one of the local pool rooms while others have cleaned up even larger amounts in a night.

A business man of Greensburg told a newspaper representative yesterday morning of a certain young man who had become such a victm of the gambling game in the pool rooms that almost his entire wages are grabbed up by the pool room sharks. As a result the young man's wife and two children are suffering.

The fight against the gambling in the pool rooms will be waged by a number of the organizations in the city. Some startling developments are expected.

TWO GAMES SCHEDULED THIS WEEK

Basketball scheduled for this week will be Saturday evening at 7:30 when Indiana Normal girls will play the Monessen High school girls in the High school gymnasium. Both teams are rated as good basketball players. We know what our own girls can do, and Indiana folks say their girl team is right up to snuff and know the game from a to z. Hence a rattling good game is being looked for. As a secondary game, the Fayette City High school alumni will play Monessen's High school Reserves, and takinb both games as a whole, a fine evening's entertainment is promised.

Good Game This Evening

—An interesting basketball game will be played this evening between Belle Vernon High school boys and the Young Stragglers of the Monessen school, at Turner hall. Both teams are considered good in their class, and a hard fight is looked for. Game called at 7:30. Ten cents admission will be charged. Proceeds for the Red Cross.

The W. C. T. U. will meet with Mrs. H. N. Odbert, 612 McKeen avenue on Thursday evening. These meetings are growing in interest and enthusiasm. You are welcome.

FACTORY SALE OF PIANOS

Yesterday the E. G. Hays Co., of Pittsburgh launched a ten day drive or factory sale of Lester pianos, players and grands.

The gentlemanly and well known sales manager, Mr. C. H. Wilt, has rented the room vacated by the Janavitz store, corner Donner and Schoonmaker avenue and will have it well filled with instruments of the highest class —instruments particularly suited to the particular tastes of Monessen's most discriminating people.

The E. G. Hays company through the representation of their sales manager, Mr. C. H. Wilt, is without question the best known piano dealers doing business in Monessen and vicinity—even being almost recognizd as local dealers, so close have they come in touch with our people during the past nine years or more.

The Hays people have a thoroughly practical man at the head of their business here, and the high standard of their instruments—Lesters—has built up a most gratifying business, with the result that more Lester pianos and players can be found scattered over Monessen than any other instruments on the market. Reason for this is that the company is known to be reliable, and the Lester piano stands on a record that no one can question, and the prices are right.

The parlor at Donner and Sixth is neatly arranged and decorated, and it is a pleasure to call, see the instruments and hear some good music, even if you do not buy an instrument.

Mr. Wilt is ably assisted in his work here by Mr. Galbraith and quite a large crowd of people visited the sales room last night, and the representatives were highly pleased with the opening day of the sale. Everybody welcome at all times.

PREPARING FOR NEXT LIBERTY LOAN

Chairman Alfred Tanzer of the local Central Liberty Loan committee, has called a meeting for tomorrow afternoon at 4 o'clock in the council chamber of the Borough building. It is imperative that everyone of the twelve members and any others interested be present, as the Third Liberty Loan campaign will open April 6 and extensive preparations yet are to be made for this event.

It has been suggested that an effort be made to have a contingent of the soldier boys from Camp Lee come up here from Pittsburgh. No definite plan has yet been conceived for formally opening this third campaign, but the committee will meet tomorrow on this matter as well as others in connection with the work.

Jesse Hancock, secretary, who issued the call by letter and press, makes it urgent that all be present and be prompt.

FORMER MONESSEN GIRL IMPLICATED IN BLACK HAND ACTIVITIES AT WOODLAWN

Agnes Hodus, aged 20 years, of Woodlawn, was arrested yesterday by Chief of Police M J Kane in connection with the "Blanck Hand" cleanup started in that district several days ago by postoffice inspectors. Letters in a hand said to be similar to that received by prospective victims, are said to have been found in the girl's room. She will be taken to Pittsburg tomorrow for a hearing.

Following the arrest of the Hodus girl, postoffice inspectors found concealed in the home of Mrs. J. DeLucia a sawed off shotgun, seven revolvers, two boxes of razors, several electric batteries, which the inspectors say are of a kind used to set off dynamite caps and several stilettos.

Mrs. DeLucia, Pete Nick and James Carrol, charged with being implicated in a plot to extort $1,500 from John Delturco of Woodlawn under threat of death, and suspected of knowing something of the explosion which partly wrecked his home on February 18, are in the county jail. They will receive a hearing with the Hodus girl today.

The case is of unusual interest to Monessen people, Agnes Hodus being a former resident of this city. About five years ago she moved with her mother and brothers to McKeesport, where she was employed at the Tin mill for a time. Later the family moved to Woodlawn. Her arrest in connection with the Black Hand gang is a surprise to people in this city who know her and developments will be closely watched. While residing here she was employed as a domestic in several homes.

VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED FOR SERVICE

Carl Woodward, Public Service Reserve Agent for the Monessen district, has received an urgent request from the U. S Public Service Reserve, Greensburg, urging that records of valunteers, men of trades such as rubber experts, glass blowers railway operating men, clerks, stenographers, cooks, etc., be rushed forward as rapidly as possible. The list embraces:

Inside railroad work—Railway bill clerks, statistical clerks, report clerks, file clerks, ticket agents, stenographers, cooks.

Outside work—Track supervisors coopers, Gearmen car inspectors, motive power clerks.

Also men wanted for induction or enlistment in gas defense section medical department. These men should be between 20 and 40 years of age and their enlistments will be for immediate oversea duty. Those over 31 will be enlisted and those of draft age will be inducted into service. Every man interested should see Mr. Woodward at his office, Sixth street, without losing any time.

LADY INSULTED IN THEATRE USES HAT PIN

Monessen theatres have been on the qui vive for some time trying to detect and capture a number of "leeches" who are in a habit of selecting a seat beside a lady and keep continually annoying her throughout the evening.

A few evenings ago a man selected a seat beside a lady and had scarcely gotten comfortably located when he megan rubbing his elbow against the woman's shoulder; she leaned as far away as was possible, when he planted his foot across in front of her feet and began annoying her by moving his knee continually.

At this juncture the lady thought of her hat pin, and taking it from her hat, she gave the offender an effective jab which she thought would be convincing enough to put an end to his obnoxious actions.

However, he evidently took it as a joke, for he folded his arms and reaching through with on hand, caught the lady's sleeve and continued to pull it until the lady was worked up to almost a nervous frenzy and brought the hat pin into action again, this time giving the man a jab that seemed to send it through his clothing and about an inch and a half into his side. With a groan and a look at the woman that would almost kill, he settled down and apparently was interested in the picture the remainder of the evening.

The reporter in a talk with the theatre manager, was informed that he had had a plain clothes man watching for this "gentleman" for some time, but had been so far unable to detect him in his suspicious actions.

Some time ago a man was ejected on a similar charge and forbidden to again enter the theatre. About a year ago another was sent to Greensburg for a similar offense.

For the reason that the house was overly crowded this lady hated to raise a disturbance by calling the usher, and did not wish to get up and go out to the foyer and stand, so she established her own mode of defense, and as te hatpin is the natural defense of a woman, it did effective work in this case.

STAR THEATRE

TODAY—ANN MURDOCK in Charles Froman's success entitled "Who Loved Him Best." An intensely interesting love drama.

TODAY also a two part picture of Camp Lee, Va., where the Monessen draftees are in training, showing camp life and training, riffle and artillery practice. All scenes taken by the camp photographer and released under auspices of the U. S. government. Also Gail Kane in "Southern Pride." A five-act drama of a proud girl's fight between love and riches.

TOMORROW—Women's day, LINA CAVALIRIE, the famous stage and screen star in a gripping Paramount picture of love and intrigue in which a woman's wils save a nation, entitled "THE ETERNAL TEMPTRESS." A Paramount picture.

OLYMPIC

TODAY—The bad man of the screen, William S Hart in "The Aryan," a photoplay that every family should see. Also Billy West, Charlie Chaplin's double in a rip-rearing comedy.

WEDNESDAY—Sweet winsome Viola Dana in a Metro wonderplay "The Winding Trail," in five interesting reels. Also a rollicking Keystone comedy.

THURSDAY—Annete Kellerman in "Daughter of the Gods."

FRIDAY—"The Garden of Allah," a screen play of the famous stage production of the same title, in nine parts.

COMING—"The Bar Sinister," a great race drama.

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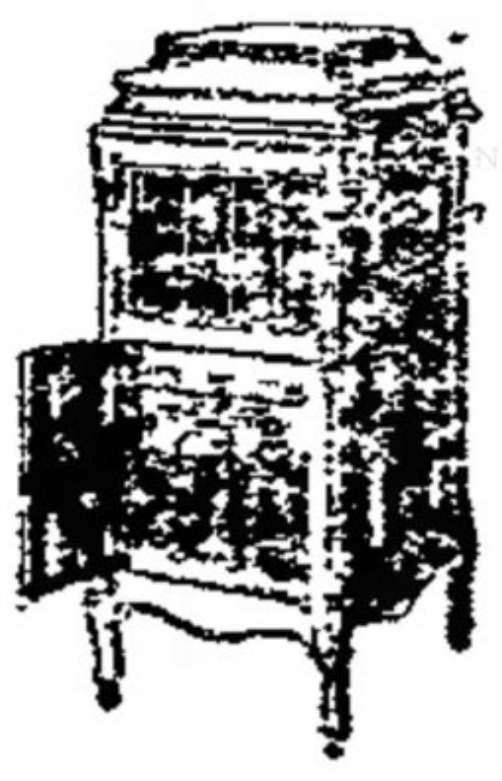

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PHYSICAL REGENERATION

The National Security League is working for a better physical development for our civilian population. It has appointed over 200 committees, covering 30 states, to carry out this idea. It is felt that the examinations of the drafted men showed a too low state of physical development. The idea is to form clubs of men and women everywhere to take physical exercises.

When the average man gets through his baseball days, his physical development is the last thing he thinks of. If he works out doors, he probably thinks he gets enough exercise in his daily toil. Yet that may employ only a portion of his muscles, leaving the others stagnant.

Indoor workers do not usually get the physical activity they need. They sit in office chairs day after day and year after year, with every organ of the body only half functioning. Then when their physical machine goes bad, they call a doctor and think they can cure their trouble with drugs.

Probably what they need is some simple form of exercises that would keep their organs working. Some years ago there was a great sale for many kinds of "health exercisers." These usually consisted of little pulley weights apparatus to be attached to the walls of a bedroom. People would operate them furiously for a few months. They would usually get a little improvement, but would get tired of the effort and quit.

It is easier for 20 people to do a thing together, than for them to do it separately. There is a contagious enthusiasm of numbers when a body of people do the same thing together. Exercises in rhythmical motion are doubly stimulating, and if the rhythm can be marked by a musical instrument, it has the fascination of dancing. This scheme of the Security League looks very good.

PROVIDING LABOR

While the business community has supported the war in good shape, here and there one finds business men who do not realize how absolutely necessary it is to find labor for the war work. Rochester, New York, furnishes a splendid example of this form of patriotic patriotism.

Before the United States entered the war, certain Rochester plants had contracts with the British and Russian governments. This work was not wholly popular, as it took away so much labor from the other factories When our country got into the war, the army officers went to Rochester and asked for the co-operation of the business community to help these munitions plants speed up, and handle work for the United States also.

Consequently a committee of the business men of the city was formed to see that Rochester did everything possible to make munitions. The business men were persuaded to make the agreement that no machine and no tool engaged on war work should be idle for lack of labor.

That pledge has been strictly kept. The entire equipment of these plants has been kept busy. Labor has been freely supplied from the other factories when it was needed. The sentiment of the business community did it. If anyone objected, he was quickly made to feel that he would simply have to fall in line or he would lose his business standing.

That is a kind of spirit that is very badly needed in some places. The quicker this war is over, the better it will be for the business community. We do not want to see labor drifting around in a roving war. But when workers are needed for the war plants, everything else should give way. Any manufacturer should be willing to give up some of his help if they are needed to perform this service for the government.

BEATING THE MINES

Not all the ships that go to the bottom are sunk by submarines. A great many have struck floating mines. Here is one of the perils our soldier boys will meet as they cross to France. But thanks to the persistent work to avert this danger, the mines may not get any of our transports.

The German mines are one of the most devlish acts of this war. They have been a peril to all American and neutral shipping. The Germans have been placing these mines by the hundred thousand. They cost $1500 apiece.

The common type have been huge steel eggs, so anchored as to float some eight feet below the surface of the water, where no lookout could ever see them. They have small cylinders of lead projecting from their tops, which are broken on contact with a vessel. This breaks vials that contain chemicals, which uniting with other chemicals product an electrical charge, and connect with the detonator. The explosion will take the bottom out of a powerful ship.

Originally the Germans employed disguised merchant ships to lay these mines. Now they are laid almost entirely by submarines which can conduct this work without discovery, but of course are liable to pursuit by the American and other destroyers when they come to the surface.

These mines would be a terrible peril were it not for the efficient work of mine sweeping done by British trawlers. Sweeping these mines is the most dangerous work in this war. The casualties are 60 per cent. higher than in service in the trenches. Two trawlers will drag between themselves a wire cutter supposed to sever the wire holding the mines. If they have good luck, the torpedo rises to the surface, otherwise the trawlers rise in the air. It is heroic work, and is making possible the comparatively safe passage of our boys to France.

EDITORIALETTES

The Colonel has lost the hearing of one ear, but he can still put the other to the ground.

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Some of our friends are preparing for the garden season by borrowing all their neighbor's tools.

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Another favorite way of keeping the home fires burning is to have a bonfire when the wind will blow the smoke over to your neighbor's house.

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Having listed up the number of persons who will give them credit and lend them money, some of our people have now figured it out that they can afford to buy an automobile.

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The farmer who complains because he can't get cars to transport his products, will probably be the same fellow that undertook to hold his stuff for higher prices.

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Very few of the former residents of Germany who have persistently defended their fatherland for the past three years, have shown the slightest desire to return to such a glorious country.

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Get a small bottle of Ely's Cream Balm from your druggist and apply a little of this fragrant antiseptic cream in your nostrils. It penetrates through every air passage of the head, soothing and healing the swollen or inflamed mucous membrane, giving you instant relief. Head colds and catarrh yield like magic. Don't stay stuffed-up and miserable. Relief is sure.

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Columbus Has Unique Campaign

Columbus, Ohio, March 11.—Columbus laid off five days this month and filled a war chest with $3,500,000 to take care of all Red Cross, Y. M. C. A. and other war funds during 1918.

Columbus will have no more money raising campaigns this year except for Liberty bonds and Thrift stamps which are investments.

In raising the fund Columbus is a pioneer. The accomplishment sets a national record. In a population of 250,000 in Franklin county, there are 80,000 subscribers to the war chest. Practically every home contributed.

Last year there was half a dozen money-raising campaigns, which netted over a million.

It was seen that with war needs increasing the city would witness an endless succession of campaigns for money this year unless it could all be collected in one campaign.

The war chest was suggested and the mayor appointed 120 men and women from all walks of life as a committee These selected an executive committee of 10 citizens, including a representative of organized labor.

Under the executive committee 7000 volunteer workers were organized to put the plan over. To avoid criticism a separate fund was first secured by 35 leading men giving $1,000 each to pay the cost of the campaign and the administration of the war chest throughout the year

A week before the solicitation began an intensive publicity campaign was inaugurated. Mysterious "1 to 31" signs appeared all over the city.

Then just before the workers went out it was announced that "1 to 31" was the suggestion for giving one day's pay a month to the war chest. The soldiers give 31 you give one.

Men of large means were called on for more, as high as one days's income in six.

Twenty-two wounded Canadian soldiers, many of them legless or armless, were brought in to speak.

A "Liberty bell" erected in the center of the city rang for the campaign to open and to close. Around it at noon each day the workers gathered to post their progress and sing. Tags were on everybody.

Stunts were pulled off to keep the town talking. In the statehouse yard a "kaiser board" was erected. On it appeared a caricature of the kaiser. It cost a quarter to throw three balls at him just like knocking the babies down at the country fair. The kaiser's face was soon in splinters.

The Exchange club burried the kaiser. With a regular coffin and ancient hearse the club disrupted High street traffic and netted $130 by charging a jitney to look at the remains.

Columbus was turned up side down for the five days and the money jingled into the war chest.

War giving was put on a business basis.

Subscriptions were made for the year, to be paid monthly in most instances.

Now, when the community is called on for a quota by the Red Cross or other war helping organizations, the war chest committee will investigate the demand and pay over the money.

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For example, it is guaranteed by Craig's drug store to relieve itching, bleeding and protruding piles, eczema, tetter, ulcers, salt rheum, boils, carbuncles and pimples, or money back.

In case of old running sores, no matter how long standing, a few poultices of San Cura Ointment will draw out the poison, and leave them in such a thoroughly aseptic condition that they will heal promptly.

We advise every reader to get a jar of San Cura Ointment today, and keep it ready for an accident or emergency that may happen. 30 cents, 60c and $1 20 at Craig's drug store on the money-back plan.

SOAP FOR THE SCALP

San Cura Soap is delightful for shampooing, because it is full of antiseptic properties that banish the germs of dead dandruff and other impurities from the scalp. It removes pimples and blackheads, too. 25 cents a cake at Craig's drug store. If your druggist doesn't keep it, send to the Thompson Medical Co., Titusville, Pa. adv.

Grocers Lose Their Licenses

Howard Heinz, Federal food administrator for Pennsylvania, according to a telegram from Philadelphia, ordered the revoking for 60 days of the license of the wholesale grocery firm of the Johnson-Earl-Meyers company of Pittsburgh on allegations of improper and unfair trade practices in the sale of sugar during the recent scarcity of that commodity. This action follows the penalization of three small dealers in sugar for alleged profiteering

The small dealers purchased their sugar from the wholesale concern, and it is alleged that they were unduly favored in the quantities they were allowed to buy The wholesale firm under the order of the food administration must dispose of all its sugar and perishables before March 17 and install a new system of accounts to operate under a new license which Mr. Heinz will recommend to Washington authorities to grant the firm May 16.

Several retail grocers, recently convicted of selling sugar to a downtown confectioner at an excess price, obtained the sugar from this company.

According to James R. Miller of the local food administration, the accountants put on the books of the firm after that hearing found that the accounts were not being kept in such a way as to indicate whether goods were being sold on a cost plus a reasonable profit basis as ruled by the government, but were badly involved.

The technical charge on which the wholesalers were penalized, Mr. Miller said, was because of a favoritism in distributing sugar at a time when equal distribution was most necessary.

One of the grocers, it was testified at the hearing of retailers, had obtained half a carload of sugar in one shipment. It was this that was sold to the distributor. Other practices disapproved by the food administration were discovered, Mr. Miller said.

W. D. George, Federal Food Administrator for Alleghny county, was in Washington last night. Mr. George has arranged a number of meetings of food interests. Food brokers are to gather at the old city hall at 1:30 p. m. next Friday. Wholesale food dealers are to meet at the Chamber of Commerce at 1:30 Saturday afternoon. Retail grocers are to meet in the Chamber of Commerce next Monday night.

County well Represented in Shipbuilding Dept.

Greensburg leads all other communities in the number of artisans registering for service in shipbuilding or in making munitions of war. Over 100 Greensburg men have enrolled the Department of Public Service of which H. F. Bovard is County Register. New Kensington and community is a good second and Scottdale and Jeannette follow in order. Figures turned in by the Latrobe, Irwin, West Newton and Monessen district registers were not nearly so large as had been expected, but it is thought the artisans in these sections will enroll more rapidly in the future

A very large proportion of those enrolling specify they desire employment in the shipbuilding service. Some of the leading carpenters, machinists and other tradesmen enrolled and they are awaiting the call that will place them in the government service

No effort has been made to enroll farm labor to date, but it is claimed this undoubtedly will be necessary in the very near future. Over 500 artisans have been enrolled by the 20 local registers in this county during the first two weeks of the campaign and Mr Bovard has forwarded their applications to the government authorities

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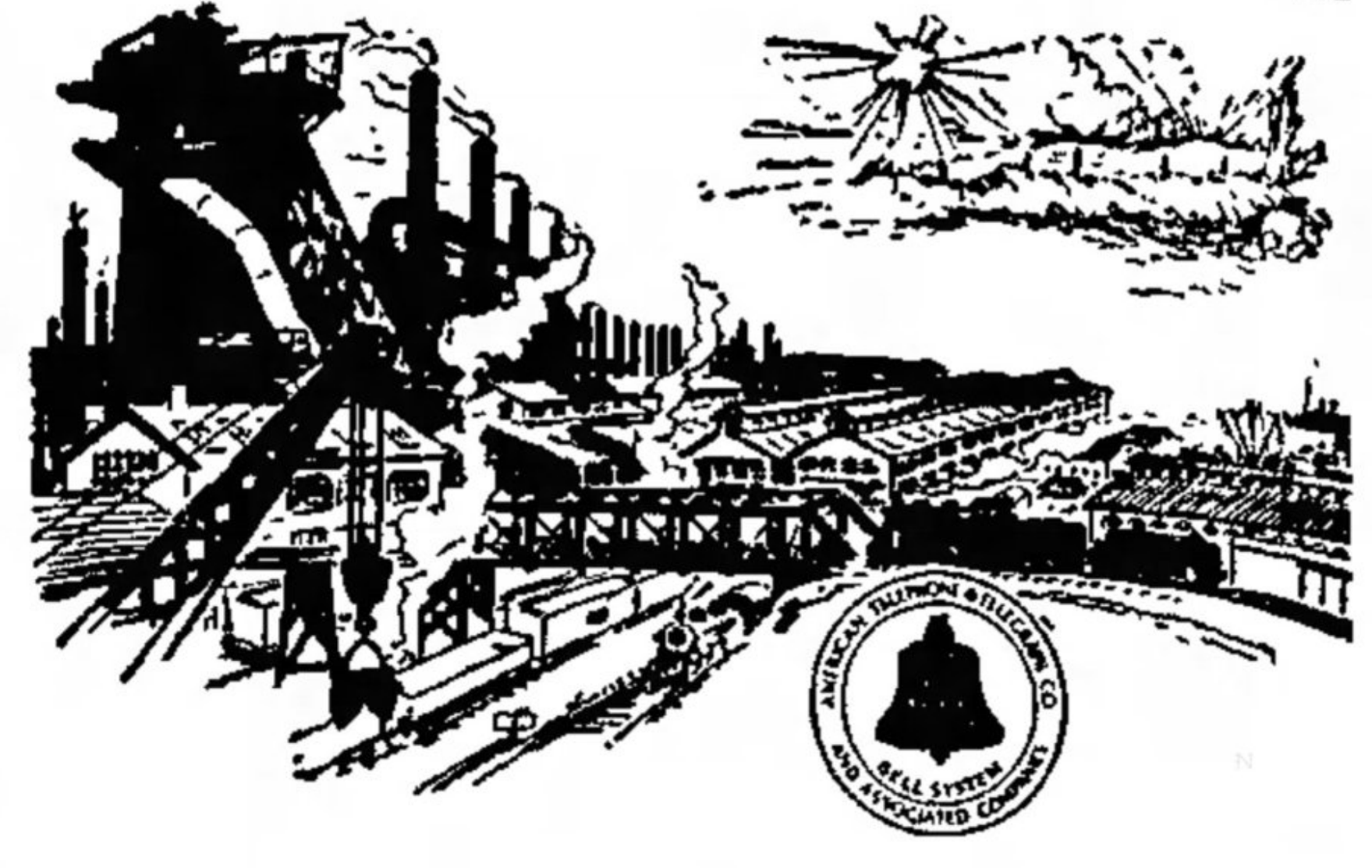

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Crusade Against Slackers

Activities of Pittsburgh police in the crusade against slackers and resultant threats of habeas corpus proceedings in behalf of men arrested caused Assistant United States Attorneys John M. Henry and Van A. Barrickman yesterday afternoon to call the drive to the attention of United States Judges W. H. S. Thomson and Charles P. Orr, who ruled that in the future Section 135 of the selective service law must be complied with by the police. This section states that the poilee must take an alleged slacker before the nearest local board and there have his questionnaire filled out. It is the duty of the board, and not of the police, the section states, to turn over wilful evaders of the draft law to the Department of Justice for prosecution. The Federal judges further maintains that tho possession of a blue registration card establishes prima facie evidence of compliance with th law.

Following the conference with the Federal judges, the district attorneys, with agents of the Department of Justice, called at the office of the Appellate Board of Allegheny county. There they conferred with Common Pleas Court Judge John D. Shaffer, Mayor E. V. Babcock, Police Commissioner R. J. Alderdice and members of the board. It was decided to immediately change the method of conducting the crusade and early this morning several of the East End boards will go to the armory at Penn avenue and Station street now known as "Slackers Hall," with a small army of clerks and fill out questionnaires for the men in custody there. The boards will examine the prisoners and decide each case separately, refering all willful violations to the Department of Justice for prosecution. Members of boards No. 1 and No. 2 will go to the county jail, where they will fill out questionnaires for the alleged slackers incarcerated there. They will also have to pass upon the cases of each man.

Chopped off Finger To Evade Draft

Three months in jail and induction into the army is Jesse Jones' sentence for having his wife chop off his trigger finger. Judge Bean of Portland, Oregon, sentenced the young husband a few days ago.

Mrs. Jones, pretty spouse of the Oregon City farmer, broke down sobbing when sentence was passel.

"I love him," cried she to Assistant U. S. Attorney Goldstein. "I did the chopping. So I am as guilty as he is," pointing to her dejected husband, who furtively glanced at the bandaged trigger digit. She asked that she, too, receive 90 days in jail, providing she could go into the same cell with her husband.

Jones and his wife were married last August. Fearful of the draft, in January the husband got his wife to chop off his finger. The wife "miscued" and only part of the finger was severed, leaving Jones still capable of handling a rifle.

"I didn't want him to go to war," she later explained.

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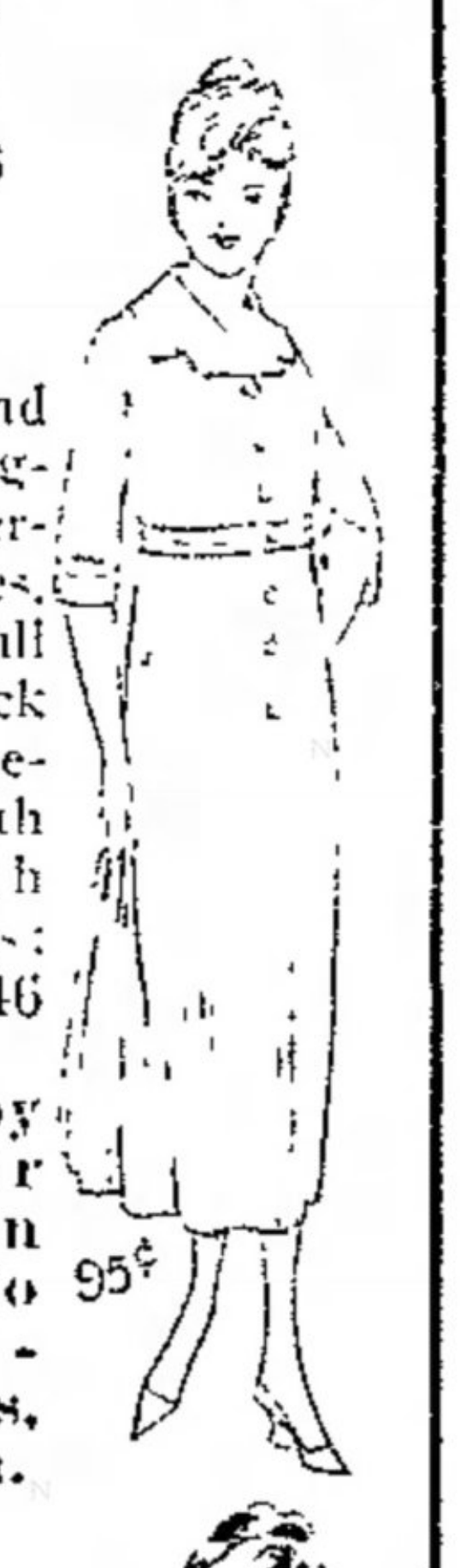

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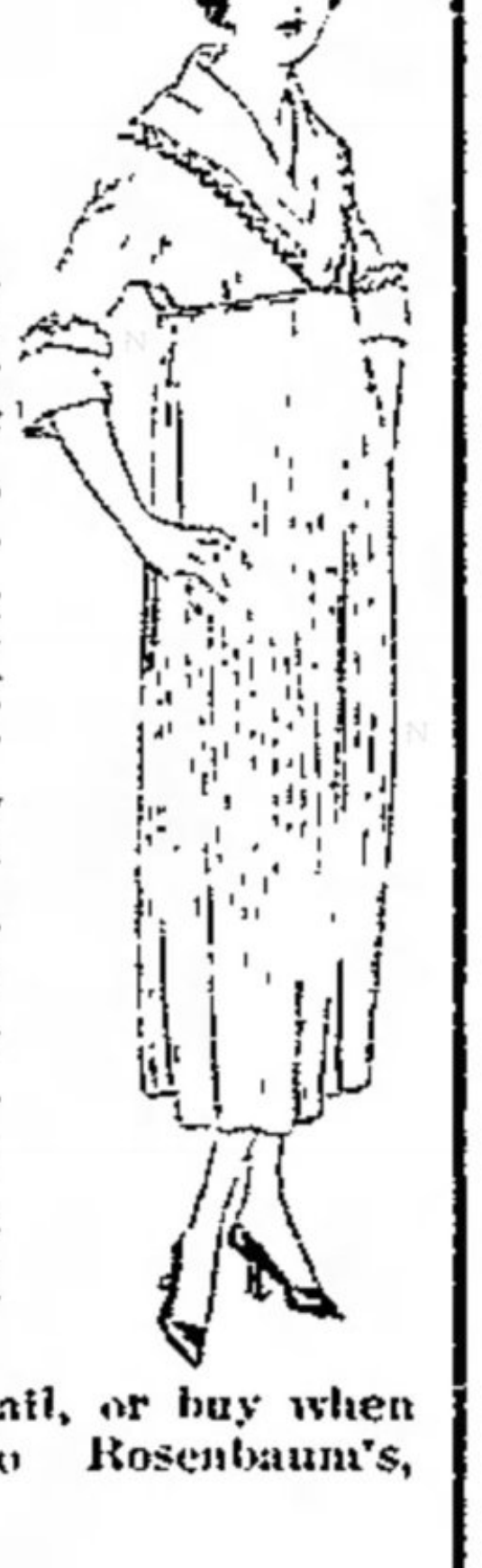

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Samuel M. Ankney, Admr.
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True and False

By JESSIE ETHEL SHERWIN

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Drake Beaton was a coward and a sneak, but he tried hard to conceal these facts. When the call for troops came he resigned his position and quietly stole away from the town where his name was on the draft list.

"There's no way of ever getting exempted if they ever get me," mused this interesting young man. Cliveden, a pretty village, attracted him. Here there came to this man of little principle and no true sense of honor a magnetic influence he could not resist. He met Aileen Burley and loved her, as far as a man of his selfish nature could.

There was a collateral element that attracted him. Aileen was an heiress. There was likewise a depressing circumstance—she was a patriot, constant and enthusiastic. She was the head of every woman's national movement locally. When Beaton created a favorable impression through his liberality in subscribing for everything that came along, and learned that Aileen was free to woo, he determined to win her.

Not that Aileen was entirely maiden fancy free. Until a month previous the young lady had cherished a friendship for a young man named Walter Matteson. Village gossips predicted an engagement. Then all of a sudden Matteson disappeared. For a week Aileen was sad and gloomy. A shadow was on her fair face, but she resumed her old cheerfulness and ardor in Red Cross work. To Editha Morris, a particular friend, she made the statement:

"Mr. Matteson and I did not agree on some vital patriotic points."

Sinuous of method, specious of nature, Beaton set himself about the task of winning Aileen. There arrived the moment when he declared his love. Clearly, fearlessly, frankly Aileen intimated that a former proposal had come from a man who had forfeited all her esteem by refusing to volunteer, accepting instead a high-salaried position in a great munition plant.

"I will enlist tomorrow," eagerly declared Beaton. "I would die in a thousand battles for you."

Aileen was impressed with the ardor of this seeming patriot of patriots. Tacitly she accepted his addresses. Why not? There was a lonely feeling at heart, she would win a new soldier for Uncle Sam.

Beaton really enlisted and made great capital of it. His hope was to induce Aileen to marry him before he went away. Circumstances disturbed his clever schemes. He was sent to a training camp. Its rigors repelled him. He was affrighted at stories of the risk and suffering awaiting him abroad. He feigned sickness, obtained a two-weeks' furlough, went to a distant city where he had a close friend, a dissolute young doctor, and between them they put up a scheme in accordance with the plots of Beaton.

Aileen was shocked a week later to learn that Beaton had died while on a furlough. The government simply filed away the certificate of death. In secret Aileen mourned, not so much for a man she had not really loved, as for the shadows of disappointment and unhappiness that seemed to pursue her. One evening she was walking about the garden when two men leaped from a bushy covert, a muffler was thrown over her head and a minute later she was in an automobile dashing away at high speed.

Her captors did not act at all roughly, but one of them warned her not to attempt any outcry. They drove down an obscure country road, stopped at a lonely house and Aileen was ushered into a lighted room. A door opened and a man entered the room. Aileen tottered and paled from the shock of recognition.

"You—Drake Beaton!" she gasped. "The dead alive! Oh! what does this mean?"

The man advanced with an eager, pleading face. In an impassioned address he confessed how his love for her had overcome every other consideration.

"All for you!" he declared ardently. "Oh, Aileen! do you understand that I cannot live without you? I ask you to give up home, friends, to go with me to some distant place where we will be all in all together."

"You dare to say this to me?" cried Aileen, with flashing eyes. "You, a traitor to your country! Oh, you are, indeed, unmasked!"

"You shall go by force, then," hissed Beaton. Just then the sounds of a violent scuffle in the outer room echoed through the house. Three men rushed into sight and one of them was Walter Matteson. His companions seized Beaton.

"How—how came you here?" she faltered.

"I can tell you now what I was bound by an oath not to impart heretofore," explained Matteson. "I have been secretly employed by the government, and was sent to the munitions plant to watch out for spies among its employees of many nationalities because I understand the languages they spoke. More recently I have been assisting the secret service men who were after this fellow, Beaton. My interest in you led me here just in time. Next month I go to France in a military capacity."

"How I have wronged you!" sobbed Aileen. "Can you ever forgive me?"

"There is no need," he said tenderly. "I know only the old true love in my heart for you."

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Herr Johann Wilhelm was brought before the United States marshal after having been "beaten up" by a group of demonstrative Detroiters who learned of his family connections. Johann is also author of a book entitled "Forebodings and Forbearances." Officers who have read the volume found it harmless, however.

Rather Expensive Coal

Doc Garfield saved 3,456,000 tons of coal by his shut down order but at a loss to employer and employe of $289.35 a ton. Rather expensive coal that! And the ghastly joke of it all is that the whole trouble was caused by Garfield's asinine advice of last summer to "wait until after October first for cheaper coal." Coal may be cheap at $289.35 a ton but there are a few folks out this way who simply can't see it.—Fort Wayne News

Ordinance Base Under Construction

An ordnance base costing approximately $25,000,000 is under construction in France and is well under way, the war department has announced. It will include about 12 large storehouses, 12 shop buildings, 100 smaller shops and magazines and machine and tool equipment costing about $5,000,000.

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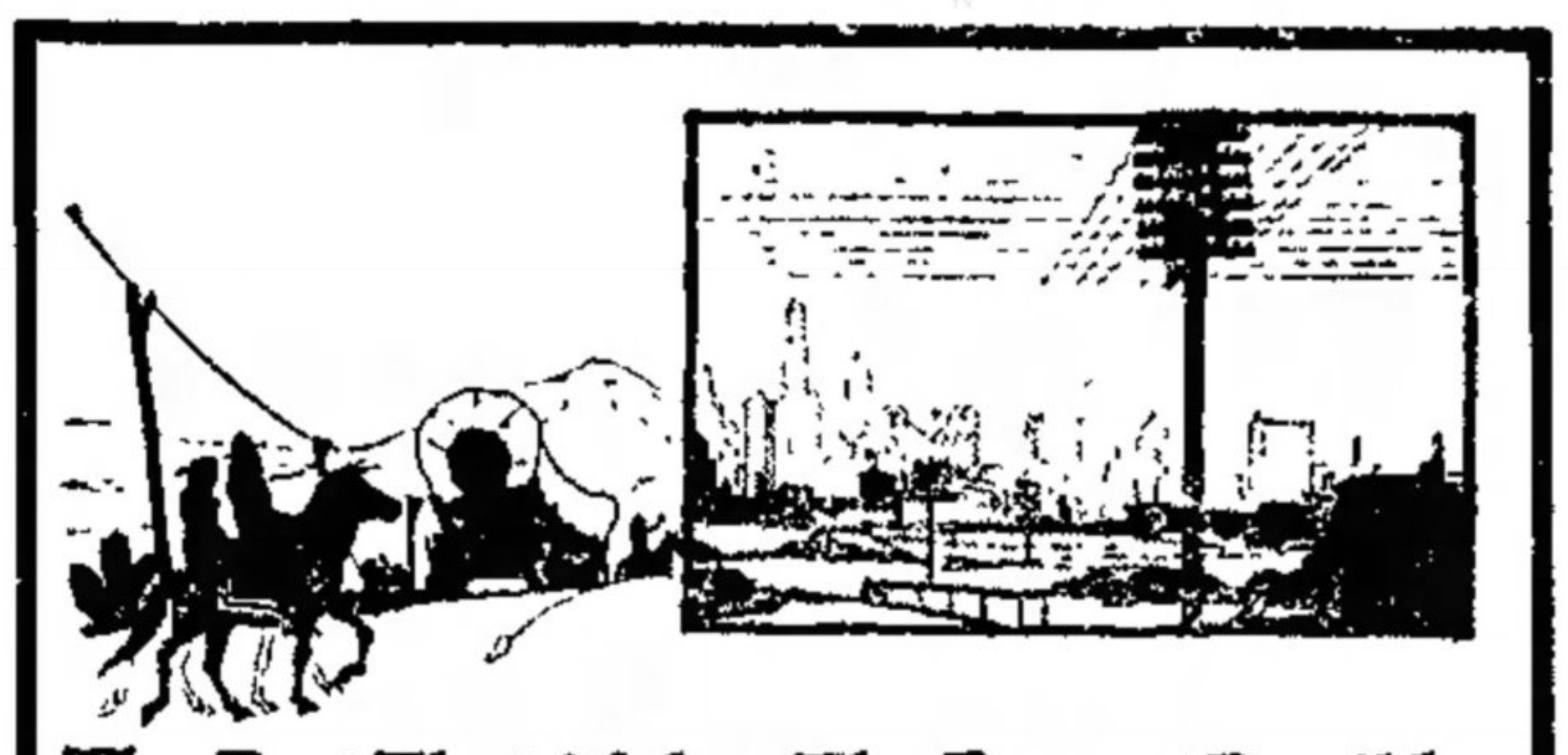

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FROISSART AND HIS HISTORY

Sir John Cleverly Wiggled Out Data From the Various Errant Knights of 1357.

Years ago, when I was a small boy, I came to bracket Sir John Froissart with Tacitus, personages who recorded dull historical facts in needlessly difficult language. Of the two I disliked Froissart the more, for he wrote in archaic Norman French, to which the dictionary often offered no clew, says a writer in the London Times.

Of course I have recast these opinions, but so many years have passed since I read and really enjoyed the cheerful Hainaulter's ambling through the history of his times that his book and its theme were dim in my memory.

What remained vivid enough was the recollection of his method, for seldom has historian gathered material in such wise. Bidden by his master, Count Robert de Namur, to write a record of "the wars," young John Froissart saddled a gray nag, whistled up a useful white hound, which could always be trusted to add a hare or a rabbit to the pot, and set off on his travels.

On the road he would fall in with a knight or man at arms, and worm out of such a chance companion the stories of their prowess. At evening, in hostelry, monastery or feudal castle, in return for his own lively yarns, he would be told others. Bit by bit he built up a wonderfully accurate narrative of events in Flanders, in northern France and in England. He wrote his history in 1357.

WHIRLING RAPIDS IN JAPAN

Waters of the Kozu River Afford Attraction for Voyagers Who Are Seeking Excitement.

Most voyagers, says a writer in the Wide World Magazine, are anxious to avoid rapids, whirlpools, and swift currents. Yet in Japan passengers are regularly taken through rapids of the Kozu river just for the sake of the excitement the journey affords.

For some distance this river flows between steep banks beautifully clothed in verdure. Being cooped up in a narrow defile, the river gains considerably in speed, and presently it plunges over a series of rocks, forming innumerable rapids, whirlpools, and eddies.

To take a boat through these troubled waters demands the utmost skill and nerve. Some enterprising native boatmen, however, conceived the idea of running a boat through the rapids as an attraction to sensation-loving foreign visitors. Several times a day, provided passengers are forthcoming, the little boat braves the rapids. The navigators are very skillful, as they need to be, for the small craft is dashed this way and that, while the spray of the troubled waters is sent flying over the occupants. To say the least, this boat journey provides an exciting thrill, and the boatmen reap quite a good harvest.

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LOCAL NOTES

—Mrs. D. Krasik and Miss Ida Levin attended the Heifetz concert in Pittsburgh last evening.

—D Krasik is in Pittsburgh today and will atend th Heifetz concert at the Nixon this afternoon.

—Don't forget that Wednesday at the STAR is women's day—Lina Cavileri in "The Eternal Temptress." 1t

C. G Hyatt, manager of Krasick's music store, was in Pittsburgh yesterday attending the Heifetz orchestra concert

—A marriage license was issued in Pittsburgh to Arthur E. Cross of Monessen and Jennie B Webber of East Liverpool, O.

—William Fohl of Sixth street, janitor at the McKinley school building, is on the sick list and has not been able to attend to his duties since Saturday.

—Mrs Mary Harvey of Washington, Pa., is spnding some time with Monessn relatives, Mrs. E. E. Wilson and Miss Annie C. Wilson of Schoonmaker avenue.

—"Mainspring" Springer, formerly of the Hamilton Watch factory, and later the official watch inspector of the P. & L. E. and Western Maryland railroads, has taken charge of the watch repair department at Brown's jewelry store. 26-tf

—W. H. Wolf of Washington, Pa. spent Sunday with his aunt, Mrs. E. E Wilson of Schoonmaker and Second street, who has been suffering from a general breakdown during the past six months Mr. Wolf returned home Sunday evening.

—Miss Bina M West, Supreme Commander of the Lady Maccabees, is spending some time in Pittsburgh in the interest of the Maccabee Patriotic service, which is similar to the Red Cross. The meetings will terminate in a great patriotic rally on Wednesday evning at Carnegie hall. Representatives from Monessen Review who will attend will be Commander Nancy Darrah and Record Keeper Lelya A Frye, who is also assistant deputy of this district.

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State College engineering experts will teach the soldiers how to repair damaged aircraft, engines, automobile trucks, search lights and other apparatus employed by the aviation service in the field. Through the training of large numbers of airplane mechanics the government contemplates reducing the amount of apparatus heretofore abandoned for lack of prompt repair.

The men will be trained as blacksmiths, machinists, wood specialists, automobile drivers and repair men, electricians, electrical machinery repair men, magneto specialists and telephone men The college will train the men and be responsible for class room work and the grading of the students. Military officers, representing the Adjutant General's office will handle the records and provide the military training.

Charged With Murder

George Tompkins of Philadelphia was arraigned for trial at Edensburg, Pa., before Judge F. J. O'Connor, charged with the murder of Mrs. Caroline Humphries, who was murdered near Carrolltown on Sunday, July 15, last. The selection of a jury was begun immediately after the case was called.

Tompkins was pale as a result of his long jail term and his hair was grayer than when he was confined last July He appeared to be cheerful and conversed quietly with his wife, Mrs. Eleanor Tompkins; her sister, Mrs. Annie Reese, and his father, George Tompkins, as the work of selecting a jury was begun.

Dr. Theodore Diller of Pittsburg, an alienist, was among those present.

Tompkins was convicted of second degree murder in connection with the killing of Edmund Humphries, husband of Mrs. Caroline Humphries, some time ago, but has not been sentenced.

DANCE FRIDAY EVENING

The Washington Camp No. 768 Patriotic Order Sons of America will hold a patriotic dance which will be the second of a series to be held Friday evening, March 15th, in the Armory hall, Second street, Monongahela, Pa. The Famous Mendelssohn orchestra of Clairton will furnish the latest popular dance music. Admission (per couple) 75 cents. Extra lady 25 cents. 38-4t

Must Give Excess Slips to Patrons

Argument in the application of the city of McKeesport for an order to compel the Pittsburgh Railways company to furnish excess payment slips in exchange for 6-cent fars until the increased fare cases are finally disposed of, were heard by the Public Service Commission in Harrisburg yesterday. No announcement was forthcoming as to when an opinion will be handed down.

Star Theatre

As Cordelia Sanzio, a modern siren, luring men to their ruin, but reforming and in the end proving herself a heroine, in "The Eternal Temptress," Lina Cavalieri is a delight to the eyes and the mind Young Harry Althrop, son of an American diplomat, is in love with her, and maddened by jealousy and hatred of his rival, an Austrian count, commits the heinous crime of betraying his own country and Italy.

How she finds this out, and having come to realize for the first time in her life the meaning of love and honor, Cordelia saves him and her country together, makes a photoplay of far more than usual interest. The production was directed by the noted French director, Emile Chautard and is said to contain some exceptionally effective photography It will be shown at the Star theatre tomorrow. 1t

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Two great statesmen were foremost in the achievement of that splendid historical result, Bismarck in Germany, Cavour in Italy, says the Youth's Companion. Both were men of the highest genius, of wide insight, of profound diplomatic skill and of indisputable patriotism. But their aims were totally different. Bismarck had no faith in the people and sought to make an absolute empire on the medieval model of fixed classes, each working in its sphere for the good of the state, and the whole culminating in a God appointed, God supported monarchy. Cavour, although he believed it best to retain the monarchical form, worked from the beginning to establish a thoroughly modern democracy; a government that should be essentially of the people, by the people and for the people.

Bismarck summed up his theory of government in the celebrated phrase that power must be sustained "by blood and iron." Cavour said of himself in a phrase far more deserving of celebrity, "I am the child of liberty, and to liberty I owe all that I am." The hearts of modern Germany and modern Italy are disclosed in those two sayings of their greatest sons, and we can see today what different results are produced by different teachings.

FISH, FROG, TOAD SHOWERS

Infrequency of Such Events More to Be Wondered At Than Fact That They Occur.

Probably the most remarkable thing about the many reported showers of such objects as fish, frogs, toads and the like is the skepticism with which the accounts of these occurrences are greeted. The wonder is, observes a writer, not that they occur, but that they are so infrequent. Everybody has seen the wind carry away, to be deposited in parts unknown, such light objects as leaves and scraps of paper. Everybody has also heard, at least, of the astonishing feats performed by tornadoes and hurricanes in transporting much heavier articles.

For example, at Beauregard, Miss., April 22, 1883, the solid iron screw of a cotton press, weighing 675 pounds, was carried 900 feet. On another occasion a hencoop weighing 75 pounds was transported four miles. In a tornado at Mount Carmell, Ill., a piece of tin roof was carried 15 miles and a church spire 17 miles. What goes up must come down. We know, from the facts first cited, that the fall of so light and common an object as a frog, for example, must happen rather frequently in any part of the world subject to high winds.

Ashanti Cocoa Growing.

Cocoa growing is rapidly becoming a prominent industry in Ashanti, which has hitherto been associated with nameless horrors perpetrated by King Prempeh, which necessitated repeated punitive expeditions down to 1900, the most famous being Lord Wolseley's campaign through the trackless jungle in 1894. Now the Gold Coast is the largest exporter of cocoa in the world, and Ashanti supplies a very large proportion. Archdeacon Morrison writes from Kumassi: "In the last five years Ashanti has made great strides in commercial prosperity. This is owing to cocoa. When the rubber boom came to an end there was stagnation for a short time, but cocoa has more than taken its place. Ashanti makes an ideal cocoa-growing country, and the industry is very suitable for the West African, as it requires no great output of labor."

Poets and Politicians.

Recently elected a director of the North-Eastern Railway company, Viscount Grey of Fallodon is a man of great personal charm, says London Tit-Bits. He hates swank and often displays an amiability which can even tolerate a bore. He is said to be the most cordial host that ever welcomed a guest.

A mystic and a poet at heart- he has been accused of writing clever verse under a nom de plume—he is a politician by command and duty, for it was the late Mr. Gladstone who insisted that with such brains he owed it to his country to busy himself with affairs of state. Formerly he indulged in championship form at lawn tennis; now he is the leading exponent of fly-fishing in England.

Pretty Bright Mule.

The farmer alleged a freight train of the defendant company had hit one of his mules.

"Now, Mr. Jones," said the attorney for the corporation to the aggrieved party, who occupied the witness stand, "will you kindly tell the court whether or not your mule was on the track, the property of the defendant, when hit by the train?"

"Well, sir," replied Mr. Jones, "I didn't witness the occurrence, but I suppose things must have been about as you say. This was a pretty bright mule and I reckon if that train had took out after him in the woods which fringe the track there where he was killed he would have got behind a tree."

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Censoring Casualties at the Front

In discussions today of the war department's new policy of announcing names only in the casualty lists from France it developed that department officials are considering adopting the European custom of publishing casualties weekly or semi-monthly instead of daily. This plan has been suggested on the ground that it would effectually conceal from the enemy the losses in particular engagements or series of engagements. Even if it is approved by the general staff final action on the suggestion is expected to await the return of Secretary Baker from Europe.

Lacking instructions to the contrary from President Wilson the department probably will adhere strictly to its decision to eliminate dates, designations or units to which the men belonged and their home addresses in the daily lists.

Maj. Gen. March, acting chief of staff, and the officers immediately around him, are in agreement, it is understood, that Gen. Pershing's judgment must be accepted on all questions of this character. As the man on the ground he is regarded as best fitted to gauge the results at the front.

Protest against the order of the war department to the effect that addresses of American casualties shall not be given to the public was made to Maj Gen. Peyton C. March, chief of staff, by Representative Stephen G. Porter. Mr. Porter said he would persist in his efforts to have this order set aside should the protest filed with Gen. March fail to have results. Protests are pouring in to members of congress and to the war department from all sections of the country against the order of the department. Mr. Porter, discussing his visit to Gen. March qustioned the need for or the effectiveness of the order made.

Children Accused of Stealing

At least 300 school children in Pittsburg, ranging in ages from 5 to 15 years, are implicated indirectly in the robbery of the store of Vixman & Pearlman, wholesale dealers in fireworks at 911 Fifth avenue, according to Detectives Elmer Henry and Robert Bevard, following an investigation made by these officers into the robbery of the company's store several days ago, when goods valued at $500 were taken. No arrests have been made, but the three boys who carted the goods away probably will be arrested today.

Officers, after investigatin, decided the robbery had been committed by small boys. They found that practically every child attending a school in the vicinity had within the past few days been celebrating a premature Fourth of July. All sorts of firecrackers, roman candles and other kinds of fireworks were exploded day and night by children of the neighborhood. Many of these were questioned and all told where they had received them. All of these could be arrested by the police on a charge of receiving stolen goods, but according to the officers this will not occur, as they are only searching for the three boys who stole the fireworks.

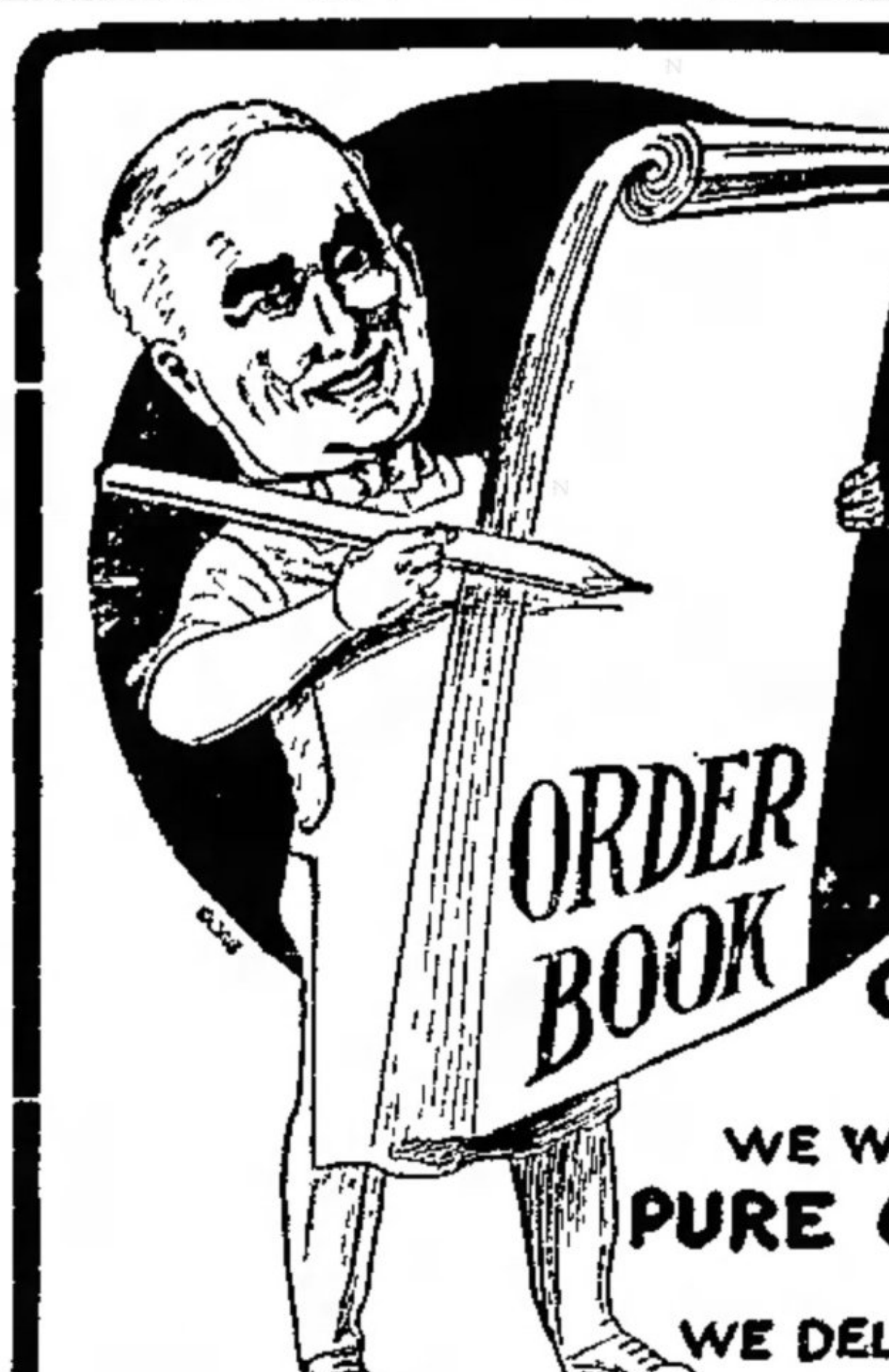
Railways Company Been Sued

Mary Janesko has filed a suit for $20,000 against the West Penn Railway company in the prothonotary's office. The suit is brought to recover for the death of her husband which occurred September 6, 1917 near Parfittown.

According to the plaintiff's statement of claim the company owns a line in East Huntingdon township. A pole on this line broke, causing live wires to come down. Her husband, while on his way to work on the public road came in contact with the wires and was electrocuted.

Billy Sunday Will Fight

Billy Sunday, the evangelist, has announced that as soon as his Chicago engagement is completed, he will go to France to visit the trenches. "I know several officers who are over there, and they have invited me to come, said Mr. Sunday. "If they'll let me, I'll take a few shots at the Hun. I expect to go as a mere visitor, but if they want it I will be glad to hold meetings."



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Camp Lee Men to Soon Visit Monessen

The candidates attending the line officers' training camp at Camp Lee, Va., have completed nearly two-thirds of their training course and it is likely that most of them will be given their commissions. Of the soldiers who were at the school when the course began on January 5, 10 per cent have been eliminated.

The course of instruction will be completed on April 19. Many of the officers attending the engineers' training camp, the majority of whom were commissioned before coming to camp, having had years of experience in the engineering profession, have been assigned to duty, being sent overseas and to different points in this country where their services were required. Some of the leading engineers of the United States are in attendance in the camp and they are getting military experience. A few of them are past 50 and they are receiving the same training as the "rookies" and must do police, work in the kitchen and guard duty. There were 3,000 engineers in attendance when the camp opened, but 500 have been put into active service.

Private Roy Colt, Machine Gun Company, Three Hundred and Twentieth Regiment, was tried before the summary court-martial for disobeying the command of a superior officer, refusing to take boxing lessons when ordered to do so by Capt. Charles F. Summer. He was found guilty and sentenced to two years' imprisonment at hard labor and to be dishonorably discharged at the expiration of his term of imprisonment. In reviewing the case Brig. Gen. Brett reduced the imprisonment to six months and also revoked that portion of the sentence which recommended the dishonorable discharge of the offending soldier.

Wm. S Hart in "The Aryan" at OLYMPIC THEATRE TODAY

Wounds May Prove Fatal

New Castle, Pa., March 11.—Fears are entertained for the life of Garland Holland, aged 19, the alleged robber of Rochester, Pa., who is in the hospital here suffering from wounds received when captured by police last Wednesday night. Holland is shot through the knee in a manner which may prove fatal, physicians say.

Another crime, that of stealing 10,000 pennies from an automobile belonging to the Cleveland, O. Trust Company in front of the bank on March 2, is being laid at Holland's door, police say. He is already accused of misdeeds in Benwood and Bellaire, O. and in Beaver Falls, Butler and Pittsburgh.

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